

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to an audio/video data transfer system, an audio/video data transfer method, and an audio/video server for enabling audio/video data to be easily transferred between the audio/video servers. Video servers 1 and 3 connected by the Internet are constructed as FTP servers. When AV data is transferred from the server 1 to the server 3, a computer apparatus 2 for controlling the server 1 communicates with a computer apparatus 4 for controlling the server 3 and discriminates whether the server 3 can receive the transferred AV data or not. If it can be received, the computer 2 sends a command "PASV" to the server 1 and allows an IP address of an empty communication port of the server 1 to be notified. The IP address is transmitted to the computer 4. On the basis of the IP address, a command "PORT" is sent to the server 3 and a communication port of the server 3 is set. The AV data reproduced by the server 1 under control of the computer 2 is transmitted from the IP address notified by "PASV". The AV data is received by the server 3 on the basis of the setting of the communication port in the "PORT".